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Please note that news sites update their hyperlinks, so it is advised that articles of interest be read soon as they might not be accessible later.

Detroit Legal News: Wright Lifetime Achievement Award winners named

"Thomas M. Haskel of Grayling, a longtime juvenile officer and court administrator, and Marilyn F. Stephen of Jackson, the former director of the Office of Child Support for the Department of Human Services, are the 2012 winners of the Daniel J. Wright Lifetime Achievement Award."

[Full story](#)

Also see:

Wright Lifetime Achievement Award winners announced; former Office of Child Support Director Marilyn Stephen of Jackson, Crawford County Juvenile Officer Thomas Haskel honored for service to Michigan families

[Press release](#)

Detroit Legal News: State Supreme Court to hold public admin hearing today

"High performance by courts in such areas as timeliness, public access, and cost-effectiveness is the focus of an administrative proposal on the agenda for the Michigan Supreme Court's public administrative hearing today."

[Full story](#)

Note: The article also ran in the Grand Rapids Legal News and the Macomb County Legal News.

Court performance measures, Supreme Court and Court of Appeals camera rules on agenda for Supreme Court's Nov. 28 public administrative hearing

[Press release](#)

The Detroit News: No comment from Michigan Supreme Court justice accused of bank fraud

"Reporters struck out in trying to reach a Michigan Supreme Court justice who is accused of fraud in a real estate deal. Justice Diane Hathaway participated in a public hearing Wednesday on court rules."

[Full story](#)

Also see:

Associated Press: No comment from Mich. judge accused of bank fraud

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Note: The article also ran on WJBK-TV(2)/Detroit, WLNS-TV(6)/Lansing and WILX-TV(10)/Lansing.

WDIV-TV(4)/Detroit: Week after lawsuit, Michigan court justice accused of fraud expected to make public appearance

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Detroit Free Press: Woman sentenced to life in prison for plotting to kill half-sister, 2 children

"A Detroit woman was sentenced to life in prison with the possibility of parole Tuesday for scheming to kill her half-sister and her half-sister's two children in a plot authorities said was hatched with a man both women were dating. Kenisha Faison, 21, was sentenced on conspiracy to commit premeditated first-degree murder in the murder-for-hire plot that was hatched at the Macomb County Jail but never carried out."

[Full story](#)

Also see:

The Macomb Daily: Courtroom outburst in Macomb County murder-plot sentencing

[Full story](#)

Jackson Citizen Patriot: Jackson medical marijuana moratorium extension likely to be approved in December

"As the Jackson City Council prepares to extend the medical marijuana moratorium for the second time, a special committee will be formed to study the issue.... [City Attorney Julius Giglio] said city officials are waiting for a Supreme Court ruling on the issue that would set a precedent in the state."

[Full story](#)

Lansing State Journal: Lansing judge dismisses medical marijuana case; Court ruling calls for 'clarification' of law

"[54A District Court Judge Hugh Clarke Jr.] has thrown out all charges filed by the state Attorney General's office against four employees of two medical marijuana facilities, saying they were following a law that 'screams for ... clarification.' "

[Full story](#)

**** The article is available by subscription only.**

Kalamazoo Gazette: John Metzelburg's conviction in shootout, police chase upheld by Michigan Court of Appeals

"The Michigan Court of Appeals has upheld the conviction of a Belding man who fired several shots at Kalamazoo County deputies and Kent County detectives during a high-speed chase in 2010."

[Full story](#)

Muskegon Chronicle: Laketon Township cancer patient persuades judge to go easy on home invader

"James Leon Polk last week became the second Muskegon man to plead guilty to breaking into 63-year-old cancer patient Dixon Smith's Laketon Township home, a crime that led to Smith holding the home invaders at gunpoint until police came.... At Smith's urging, Muskegon County 14th Circuit Judge Timothy G. Hicks last week agreed to cap Polk's sentence at one year in the Muskegon County Jail when he pronounces sentence Dec. 17."

[Full story](#)

The Oakland County Legal News: New attorney sworn in

"Joshua Kaplan was sworn-in to the State Bar of Michigan by Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Edward Sosnick on Tuesday, Nov. 13, at the Oakland County Courthouse."

[Full story](#)

Saginaw News: Ken Bluew's attorney files motion for new trial, alleges jury selection errors

"The attorney for Kenneth T. Bluew, the former Buena Vista police officer convicted of murdering the woman who was eight months pregnant with his son, is requesting a new trial, alleging multiple errors in the jury selection process."

[Full story](#)

WILX-TV(10)/Lansing: Part Of Mason Court Briefly Evacuated

"Part of the 55th District Court is Mason was briefly evacuated after a suspicious substance was found in the judges' chamber section. Police scanners said there a white powder found in a tissue box, though

investigators have not confirmed this. A HAZMAT team later discovered that this was normal residue from tissues."

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